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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EINV, EFIN, ENRG, OECD

SUBJECT: JOLLES PROPOSAL FOR RESTRICTED MEETING IN LATE FEBRUARY

REF: BERN 0410 (NOTAL)

1. AMBASSADOR JOLLES INFORMED EMBASSY FEBRUARY 5 THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED IDEA OF SMALL PARIS MEETING IN LATE FEBRUARY WITH EC COMMISSIONER SOAMES AND HIJZEN DURING THEIR JANUARY 31 VISIT TO BERN. SOAMES THOUGHT SUCH A SESSION WOULD BE VERY USEFUL PARTICULARLY TO BEGIN QUIET PREPARATIONS FOR RENEWAL OECD TRADE PLEDGE. EC REPS TOLD JOLLES THEY WERE ANXIOUS RENEW PLEDGE ALTHOUGH THEY THOUGHT THERE MIGHT POSSIBLY BE NEED FOR SOME WORDING CHANGES.

2. HIJZEN INFORMED JOLLES THAT HE COULD ATTEND MEETING ON EITHER FEBRUARY 24 OR 26.

3. JOLLES SAID THAT VAN LENNEP ALSO ANXIOUS FIX DATE OF MEETING SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER EXTEND INVITATIONS TO OTHER PARTICIPANTS. JOLLES WOULD PREFER WAIT FOR WASHINGTON REACTION REQUESTED REFTTEL BUT FEELS THAT IN VIEW CROWDED FEBRUARY CALENDAR HE WILL HAVE TO GIVE GO-AHEAD TO VAN LENNEP IN NEAR FUTURE.

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4. AT REQUEST EMBASSY, JOLLES WILL WAIT UNTIL MORNING
FEBRUARY 6 FOR USG REACTION BEFORE ASKING VAN LENNEP PROCEED
WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 24 TO WHICH HE,
OF COURSE, HOPES USG WILL BE REPRESENTED AT SENIOR LEVEL.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: IF USG HAS VIEWS TO CONVEY TO JOLLES,
REQUEST WE BE ADVISED NOT LATER THAN OPENING OF BUSINESS
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